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BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

In the Matter of

FAHAD ALNOAH,

Holder of License No. S015734 As a Pharmacist In the State of Arizona Board Case No. 09-0023-PHR

CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR PROBATION

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RECITALS

In the interest of a prompt and judicious settlement of this case, consistent with the public interest, statutory requirements and the responsibilities of the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy ("Board") under A.R.S. § 32-1901, et. seq., Fahad Alnoah ("Respondent"), holder of Pharmacist License Number S015734 in the State of Arizona, and the Board enter into the following Recitals, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Consent Agreement") as a final disposition of this matter.

1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and has had the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney, or has waived the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney.

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evidence and cross examine witnesses. By entering into this Consent Agreement, Respondent knowingly and voluntarily relinquishes all right to such an administrative hearing, as well as rights of rehearing, review, reconsideration, appeal, judicial review or any other administrative and/or judicial action, concerning the matters set forth herein.

3. Respondent affirmatively agrees that this Consent Agreement shall be irrevocable.

hearing concerning the above-captioned matter, at which hearing he could present

Respondent understands that he has a right to a public administrative

- 4. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement or any part of the agreement may be considered in any future disciplinary action by the Board against him.
- 5. Respondent understands this Consent Agreement deals with Board Complaint No. 3554 involving allegations of unprofessional conduct against Respondent. The investigation into these allegations against Respondent shall be concluded upon the Board's adoption of this Consent Agreement.
- 6. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement does not constitute a dismissal or resolution of any other matters currently pending before the Board, if any, and does not constitute any waiver, express or implied, of the Board's statutory authority or jurisdiction regarding any other pending or future investigation, action or proceeding.
- 7. Respondent also understands that acceptance of this Consent Agreement does not preclude any other agency, subdivision, or officer of this State from instituting any other civil or criminal proceedings with respect to the conduct that is the subject of this Consent Agreement.
- 8. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that, upon signing this Consent Agreement and returning this document to the Board's Executive Director, he may not revoke his acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any modifications to the

document regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been signed by the Executive Director. Any modification to this original document is ineffective and void unless mutually agreed by the parties in writing.

- 9. Respondent understands that the Consent Agreement shall not become effective unless and until adopted by the Board and signed by its Executive Director.
- 10. If a court of competent jurisdiction rules that any part of this Consent Agreement is void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 11. Respondent understands and agrees that if the Board does not adopt this Consent Agreement, he will not assert as a defense that the Board's consideration of this Consent Agreement constitutes bias, prejudice, prejudgment or other similar defenses.
- 12. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement is disciplinary and is a public record that may be publicly disseminated as a formal action of the Board and may be reported as required by law to the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank.
- 13. Respondent understands that any violation of this Consent Agreement constitutes unprofessional conduct and may result in disciplinary action. A.R.S. §§ 32-1901.01(B)(20), -1927(A)(1).

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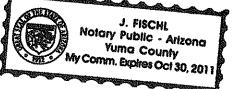
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Dated: February 12,2009 Yuma, State of Arizona

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the County of YMM, State of Arizona this 12 day of February, 2009, by Fahad Alnoah.



NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires: OCT. 30,2011

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for licensing and regulating the practice of pharmacy in the State of Arizona.
- 2. Respondent is the holder of license number S015734 to practice as a pharmacist in the State of Arizona.
- 3. During all times relevant to these Findings, Respondent worked as a pharmacist at Walgreens Drug number 2219 in Yuma, Arizona ("Pharmacy").
- 4. In March 2008, the Pharmacy received a prescription that appeared to be for .100 mg Digoxin. The strength of .100 mg is not made.
- 5. Respondent instructed Pharmacy Technician Oyuki Uriarte to call and clarify the prescription with the prescriber. A pharmacy technician may not perform a function reserved for a pharmacist, graduate intern, or pharmacy intern in accordance with AAC R4-23-402 or R4-23-653. AAC R4-34-1104(C). A pharmacist, graduate intern, or pharmacy intern is required to check the prescription order date entry to ensure

that the data input communicates the prescriber's directions precisely by verifying the dose, dosage form, route of administration, dosing frequency, and quantity. AAC R4-23-402(A)(10)(c).

- 6. Pharmacy Technician Uriarte contacted the prescribing nurse practitioner, who instructed Pharmacy Technician Uriarte to give the patient 4 tablets of 0.25 mg Digoxin.
- 7. Still questioning the dosage, Respondent called the prescribing nurse practitioner back himself. Respondent confirmed that the patient was to receive 4 tablets of 0.25 mg Digoxin.
- 8. The patient received 120 tablets of Digoxin and took the prescription as directed. The patient then ordered a refill and took the medication again for 2 days. The patient was subsequently hospitalized as a result of her elevated Digoxin level.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter and over Respondent pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901 et seq.
- 2. The Board may discipline a pharmacist who has engaged in unprofessional conduct. A.R.S. § 32-1927(A)(1).
- 3. The conduct and circumstances described above constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901.01(B)(2) (Violating any federal or state law, rule or regulation relating to the manufacture or distribution of drugs and devices or the practice of pharmacy).

- 4. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901.01(B)(10) (Violating a federal or state law or administrative rule relating to marijuana, prescription-only drugs, narcotics, dangerous drugs, controlled substances or precursor chemicals when determined by the board or by conviction in a federal or state court).
- 5. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901.01(B)(19) (Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting in the violation of, or conspiring to violate, the Board's statutes or rules).
- 6. The conduct described above violated Arizona Administrative Code R4-23-402(A)(7) (In dispensing a prescription medication from a prescription order, a pharmacist shall interpret the prescription order, which includes exercising professional judgment in determining whether to dispense a particular prescription).

<u>ORDER</u>

Based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Respondent's pharmacist's license number S015734 is placed on PROBATION for a 120-day period beginning on the effective date of this Order. During the term of probation Respondent shall:
 - a. Pay a civil penalty of \$2,000.00; and
 - b. Respondent shall successfully take and pass the NAPLEX examination. Respondent must promptly supply proof of successful completion of the NAPLEX examination to the Board.

1	2. Upon payment of the civil penalty required under 1(a) above and
2	presentation of proof of successful completion of the NAPLEX examination required
3	under 1(b) above, Respondent's probation shall terminate.
4	DATED this May of MARCH, 2009.
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3	Arizona State Board of Pharmacy 1700 West Washington, Suite 250 Phoenix, Arizona 85007
4	EXECUTED COPY OF THE FOREGOING MAILED
5	BY CERTIFIED MAIL this day of March 2009, to:
6	Fahad Alnoah
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8	Respondent
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